



State of Tennessee

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 37

By Gresham

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of David Sills of Brownsville.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the untimely passing of David Sills; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sills was a consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, born in Long Beach, California, David Sills soon moved to the "Volunteer State", spending his formative years in Haywood County; and

WHEREAS, after completing high school, Mr. Sills graduated from Memphis State University with a degree in Journalism and later returned to receive an additional degree in Accounting; and

WHEREAS, following the patriotic tradition for which the "Volunteer State" is renowned, David Sills answered duty's call and was commissioned into the United States Air Force as a Second Lieutenant; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sills served with courage and an unflinching sense of duty for more than twenty years, both in active duty and reserves, and achieved the distinguished rank of Major; and

WHEREAS, David Sills served with acumen and alacrity as a sports writer, investigative reporter, and photographer for various newspapers across West Tennessee, including the *Brownsville States-Graphic*, where he earned the respect of his peers and superiors alike due to the exemplary quality of his work; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sills was an extremely giving person who often reached out with compassion to people whom life had treated unkindly, and he epitomized the ideal of the consummate professional, dedicated public servant, and reliable friend and neighbor; and

WHEREAS, deeply devoted to his family, David Sills always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sills leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we honor the memory of David Sills, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living his life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. Sills.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

ADOPTED: May 11, 2011


RON RAMSEY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE